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REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF FILING RECEIPT

Enclosed is a copy of the Filing Receipt for the above-identified application which incorrectly omits the third inventor's name. The inventors should read Caroline Osterhoff, Hamburg, Germany; Richard Ivell, Hamburg, Germany; Christiane Kirchhoff, Bordesholm, Germany. Also the title should read: EPIDIDYMIS-SPECIFIC RECEPTOR PROTEIN. The corrections are shown in red on the attached copy of the filing receipt. Also enclosed is a copy of a Request for Correction of Filing Receipt filed in this case on April 19, 2001. Please note your records accordingly. Correction of same is respectfully requested.

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

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The Office is requested to issue a Corrected Filing Receipt in the above identified application to include Christiane Kirchhoff, Bordesholm, Germany, as an additional inventor. This change is shown in red on the attached marked-up copy of the Filing Receipt received in the above.

The present application is a continuation of Application Serial No. 09/041,745, as shown in the Filing Receipt. The inventorship of the parent Application Serial No. 09/041,745, was changed to include Christiane Kirchhoff with papers filed March 20, 2000. Specifically, a Petition under Rule 48(a), a Consent of the Assignee, a copy of the Assignment from Christiane Kirchhoff to IHF Institut Für Hormon- und Fortpflanzungsforschung GmbH, along with a new Declaration were filed on March 20,

2000, in the parent Application Serial No. 09/041,745. A copy of the undersigned's postcard receipt indicating these papers were received in the Patent Office is attached. The attached are true and original copies of the previously filed papers. The Office is requested accept these papers as sufficient for changing the inventorship in the above-identified application.

The undersigned notes the Examiner in the parent Application No. 09/041,745, indicated the Petition filed March 20, 2000, was deficient as the requisite fee was not included. The undersigned notes however that the applicant's coversheet of March 20, 2000 included an authorization to charge the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 14-1140, for any deficient fees. Accordingly, the Petition filed March 20, 2000, in conjunction with the undersigned's coversheet should have been sufficient for grant of the Petition to change inventorship. The requisite petition fee is attached herewith and the Office is requested to change the inventorship of the above-identified application to include Christiane Kirchhoff.

Nothing further is believed to be required however the Office is requested to contact the undersigned if otherwise.

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